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BY SARAH FREEMAN, FOR REDEYE | METROMIX@TRIBUNE.COM » GET MORE EAT. DRINK. DO. IDEAS AT REDEYETCHICAGO.COM

EAT DRINK

TACO TUESDAY

Mercadito

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DIVAS AND DRINKING

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Revolution Brewing
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GET CRAFTY

Public Works Gallery

1539 N. Damen Ave. 773-529-7128

For one night only the Big Big City pop-up art market will sell goods ranging from jewelry to vintage clothing and plenty of art. Their friends at 826 Chi, a nonprofit writing and tutoring center for Chicago students, will be there with a bake sale and raffle. 5-9 p.m. Free.

READ

Quenchers Saloon

2401 N. Western Ave.
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Take some poetry, a few narratives, maybe the beginning of a screenplay and add to it the fuel for all tortured artists (alcohol) and you have the monthly Wit Rabbit Reading Series. It continues Tuesday at the usual hangout with several readers stepping up to the mic to share 2-minute-long pieces. 7-9 p.m. \$5 suggested donation.



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THESE MARATHONERS HAVE GONE THE DISTANCE—TIME AND TIME AGAIN

Reuters

NEW YORK For most people, running one marathon is a daunting prospect, but research scientist Leslie Miller belongs to group of runners who have completed 100 or more marathons, many of them just for the fun of it.

"It's my hobby," said Miller, of Seattle, who has been running for about 10 years and averages one marathon a month. "I just get out and run almost every day."

Although she is only 32 years old, Miller has completed 160 marathons. Her only goal now is to keep running.

"It would change my life if I had to stop," she said.

Road runners and couch potatoes alike can draw inspiration from Miller and others like her who have completed the ancient 26.2-mile race 100 times or more.

"I was struck by just how happy everyone

was," said Malcolm Anderson, who interviewed more than 120 such runners for "The Messengers," his new book on the subject.

"This was what they were so passionate about doing," said Anderson, a New Zealander living in Canada, adding that often runners began with nothing but a desire to change their health.

"Many started out by not wanting to run or not liking to run," Anderson said.

He found that runners who completed 100-plus races ranged in age from mid-20s to 80s, but as a group they tended to be goal-driven, patient, resilient and social.

"They have a strong comfort level for taking on adversity," he said. "But it's primarily about doing something with other people, seeing new places and sharing."

He said when the race is run they'll sit down for coffee or beer and never mention their times.

Tom Holland, an exercise physiologist based

in Darien, Conn., who has run more than 70 marathons, said many 100-marathoners are late bloomers.

"You would also be surprised at how many started running much later in life," said Holland, author of "The Marathon Method," a 16-week training program for the race.

He said it's common to encounter a 55-year-old veteran of 110 marathons who started to run at 50.

"You would be really surprised at how many of these people are actually overweight," Holland said. "They don't run fast, just far, and often."

Holland, who strongly urges all runners to cross train, rest and recover, said for some people, running is a necessity.

"It gives them a purpose, a goal, and a way to quiet their minds. They are much better people because of running."

WHY 26.2 MILES?

When the marathon first was introduced in the 1896 Olympic games, it was roughly 24.85 miles long, representing the distance between the Greek cities of Marathon and Athens. History has it that a Greek messenger ran between those cities to announce a Greek victory over the Persian army. So where does the 26.2 come from? In 1908, Olympic officials in England lengthened the course, which initially started from downtown Windsor and ended in downtown London, so the royal family could see it begin from their front lawn at Windsor Castle, outside the downtown area. This meant the course measured in at 26 miles and 385 feet. It's stayed that way ever since. **SOURCE: CHICAGOMARATHON.COM**

BY THE NUMBERS

General registration for the 2012 Bank of America Chicago Marathon, which opened Wednesday, closed Monday in record time. The Oct. 9 event has reached its 45,000-participant capacity. Here's a look at some of the sign-up trends associated with the big day. **REDEYE**

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Number of days it took before the 2012 marathon closed its registration.

35 WEEKS

Amount of time it took before the 2003 marathon closed its registration.

90

Number of nonprofit groups that have availability for the 2012 race. Entry into the marathon still can be obtained through the Bank of America Chicago Marathon Charity Program. Details are available at **chicagomarathon.com**.

What's in store for CTA's Red and Purple?



GOING PUBLIC

Tracy Swartz

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The CTA has revised its proposals to update the northern Red and Purple lines, and it's laying out the ideas—one including station closures—this week.

Both lines are in need of rehab. Each had nearly 20 percent of track under slow zones last month, according to a map posted on

transitchicago.com.

Among the options the agency presented Monday at the Evanston Main Library: Closing stations, designating the Loyola stop for transfers between the Red and Purple lines, and creating a so-called flyover that would allow Brown Line trains to cross above the others at the Belmont stop.

Separately, the CTA is working on an idea that would turn the Wilson stop into a transfer station between Red and Purple lines. A public meeting for that proposal, which would rely on federal funding announced last year, is slated for the summer.

A second meeting about the overall project is scheduled for 5-7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Broadway Armory, 5917 N. Broadway.

The CTA last year presented six options to modernize the Purple and Red lines north of Belmont but whittled the package down to four after getting 1,500 comments from the public. The agency said it no longer is considering a three-track idea that would

close stations—partly because of negative feedback from riders—or an option that would implement a subway component, because it was too costly.

The options it is considering:

5 stations would close: The CTA would shutter the Foster and South Boulevard stops on the Purple Line and the Jarvis, Thorn-dale and Lawrence stops on the Red Line. Alternate access at nearby stations would be provided. Loyola would transform into a transfer station.

No stations would close, extensive face-lift: This is the new option the CTA presented Monday, based on rider feedback. No stations would close, but five Red Line stations where trains slow down would be straightened. Loyola would turn into a transfer station.

No stations, minor face-lift: Loyola would become a transfer station. No stations close. A couple of the slow curves would straighten.

No action: The CTA only would perform basic maintenance on the stations.

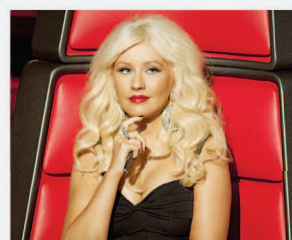
A CTA spokeswoman said numbers for how much these proposals would cost are not available.

The agency currently is drafting an environmental impact statement that would detail how these proposals would affect the area around the stations. The CTA said it expects to complete this statement this year, and riders would be able to comment on it in 2013.

TWEET INDEX

HOT RIGHT NOW Listen up!

Sunday's season premiere of "The Voice" still was echoing through Twitter one day later. You think following the Super Bowl had anything to do with that? Here's what was trending Monday.



'The Voice'
Play it again



Happy birthday, Bob Marley
We like jammin' too



'It All Belongs To Me'
Brandy and Monica reunite



Clint Eastwood
A voice for Detroit



BIG TALKERS

When the news broke Monday that Empire Carpet had bought rival Luna, the social media universe was flooded. Though the companies are expected to continue operating and advertising separately, here's a taste of what some creative Twitter users had to say about the union of two of the best-known jingles in Chicago. **TRIBUNE**

Today's hot music news: Empire Carpet has bought Luna. —@BrettMannes

Cannot wait for two amazing jingles to combine into a unified carpet anthem! —@stephalewis

Maybe the Mayans were onto something with this 2012 business. —@silkyricky

Only in Chicago can one carpet company buying another be such huge news (Empire Carpet buys Luna). —@Walldo

U.S. Justice Dept.: Please investigate this potential gross abuse of monopolistic TV commercial phone jingle power. —@adamjlevine

Empire Carpet bought Luna. 773-202-BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP ... EM-PIE-ERRRR! Nope. Not the same. —@NiHao_JaiLan

This can only mean the eventual creation of a commercial which imprints a phone number into your brain like no other. —@jamminhoo

What will we hum at work now? —@openbookstore

STATIONARY

A weekly dispatch from a CTA station of note

This week: Halsted Orange Line

» This stop, in Bridgeport, is a station of firsts. When the CTA announced it was going to install additional security cameras in June, the agency did so at the Halsted stop, which received an influx of cameras. And the station was one of the first to get cleaned by the "Renew Crews" as part of a station spruce-up program that began in September. The CTA said it repainted columns and did some behind-the-scenes improvements. Going Public visited the station last week and found that most of the graffiti on the stairwell walls no longer is visible, though the benches under the heat lamps could use a few coats of paint because they look dirty.

Next up: Kedzie Orange Line.



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Cars drive past the speed limit sign outside Peabody Elementary School, 1444 W. Augusta Blvd., on Monday.

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Rumors of Madonna in Chicago tough to track down

By Mick Swasko

REDEYE

Although reports pegged Madonna as being in Indianapolis prior to her Super Bowl performance Sunday, rumors persisted Monday that the pop diva stayed in Chicago.

Facebook and Twitter lit up with discussion that she was unable to find a suitable hotel in the big game's host city. The gossip apparently got its start on the morning recap of Sunday's festivities by Kathie Lee Gifford and Hoda, who said Indianapolis just didn't have a hotel that was up to snuff for the 53-year-old "Vogue" singer.

Us Weekly cited an unnamed source in its report that Madonna stayed at a Marriott in Indianapolis.

A spokesperson for the hotel—where Madonna held a news conference before her performance—had no comment when RedEye called Monday.

According to Us, Madonna had a hydraulic yoga mat—one that rose as high as the room's ceiling—installed in her digs at the hotel in the city's downtown. The same source also reported a large pizza order—50 pies in total—was delivered to the hotel for her crew.

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Filming soon near you

Quinn green-lights plan allowing speed cameras across nearly half the city

Chicago Tribune

Gov. Quinn gave Mayor Emanuel something he wanted Monday: The power to use cameras across nearly half of Chicago to nab speeding drivers and fine them as much as \$100.

Questions linger about the effectiveness and scope of the speed camera plan, but the governor sought to frame the issue as about protecting children, not raising revenue.

"I think that you've got to understand that if you save even one life, you are saving the whole world," Quinn said during an appearance at a high school on the Far South Side. "I mean, what do you say to a parent that's been there from the day their son or daughter was born, and they're killed by a speeding motorist next to their school or their park?"

"I think our job is to rise to the occasion and do

what's necessary to protect our kids."

The governor's signature on the new law means the city can begin using speed cameras July 1. Like their cousins the red-light cameras, automated equipment would be used to flag motorists for violations.

Speeders going 6 to 10 mph over the limit would face \$50 fines. Those going 11 mph and over would face the full \$100 ticket. Red-light cameras generated \$69 million for the city in 2010, and speed cameras likely would grow that number considerably.

Money generated by speed cameras would go toward school safety and repairs to roads and bridges. During debate last fall in Springfield, opponents argued that Emanuel is more interested in raising cash from tickets than promoting child safety, an accusation the mayor emphatically rejected.

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"All this requires is that drivers obey the law near schools and parks to ensure the safety of our kids," Emanuel said in a Monday statement praising the governor's action.

Quinn's approval of speed cameras comes after months of tension with Emanuel largely fueled by a disagreement over legislation that would bring a casino to Chicago. The new mayor helped put together a major gambling expansion deal last year, but Quinn blocked it, citing opposition to slot machines at horse racing tracks.

On Monday, Quinn denied agreeing to speed cameras as a way to improve his relationship with Emanuel, saying he follows his "conscience" when deciding whether to approve legislation.

EXPRESS LINES

» A Chicago cabdriver of Pakistani descent on Monday pleaded guilty in federal court to sending cash to a Kashmiri nationalist group that had ties to al-Qaida.

» A man—and then the firefighter who rescued him—were trapped in Loop condo high-rise elevators for three and a half hours Sunday night.

» A state legislator from Chicago is pushing a bill that would force local police departments to inform the state of every Taser shock an officer delivers to a civilian. **TRIBUNE**



1 Goldman Sachs CEO campaigns for gay marriage

Goldman Sachs Chief Executive Lloyd Blankfein, one of Wall Street's most powerful figures, has become the first major business leader to join a national media campaign in support of same-sex marriage.

The gay rights advocacy group Human Rights Campaign posted a YouTube video Sunday in which Blankfein, 57, asks viewers to join a "majority of Americans who support marriage equality."

"America's corporations learned long ago that equality is just good business and it's the right thing to do," Blankfein said in the video.

2 D'oh! Iran bans 'Simpsons' toys

Sorry kids, "The Simpsons" now is forbidden in Iran. An agency tied to the country's government has banned the sale of dolls of the American cartoon characters, an Iranian newspaper reported Monday. According to Shargh, an independent newspaper, "The Simpsons" was banned to avoid the promotion of Western culture.

Former intern reveals secret affair with JFK

A former White House intern is speaking out about an 18-month affair she had with President John F. Kennedy while he was in office, revealing intimate details in a new book to be published Wednesday. Mimi Alford, who was 19 when she started her internship at the White House in 1962, discussed her secret sexual affair with the president in her book "Once Upon a Secret: My Affair with President John F. Kennedy."

3 PETA sues to free whales

Attorneys for the People for the Ethical Treatment of animals planned to ask a federal judge Monday to free five orcas from SeaWorld. The group is arguing that five killer whales—Tilikum, Katina, Kasatka, Ulises and Corky—should be protected by the 13th Amendment, which bans slavery and involuntary servitude.



Damaged military vehicles sit in Cairo Square on Saturday near the Khaldiye area in Homs, Syria. REUTERS

VIOLENCE GRIPS SYRIA

U.S. closes embassy but hopes to avoid intervention

5 Syrian forces bombarded Homs on Monday, killing 50 people in a sustained assault on several districts of the city that has become a center of armed opposition to President Bashar al-Assad, the Syrian National Council opposition group said.

Western countries seeking Assad's downfall scrambled to find a new diplomatic strategy after the defeat of a U.N. Security Council resolution backing an Arab League call for Assad to give up power and start a political transition.

The U.S. shut its embassy in Damascus and said all staff had left the country due to worsening security. Britain said it withdrew its ambassador from Syria and would seek further European Union sanctions against Syria.

Russia fought back against blistering criticism from the West for vetoing the resolution Saturday. Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov, who is due in Damascus on Tuesday, said condemnations of Moscow's veto had verged on "hysteria."

President Obama said that however hard Western countries are prepared to lean on Assad diplomatically, they still had no intention of using force to topple him, as they did against Moammar Gadhafi in Libya last year.

"I think it is very important for us to try to resolve this without recourse to outside military intervention. And I think that's possible," he told NBC's "Today" show.

The opposition Syrian National Council's Catherine al-Talli told Reuters that the shelling of Homs early Monday killed 50.

Assad's opponents say his tanks and artillery killed more than 200 people in the city Friday night in the bloodiest incident of the 11-month-old uprising against his rule.

DAMASCUS: DEATHS STAGED

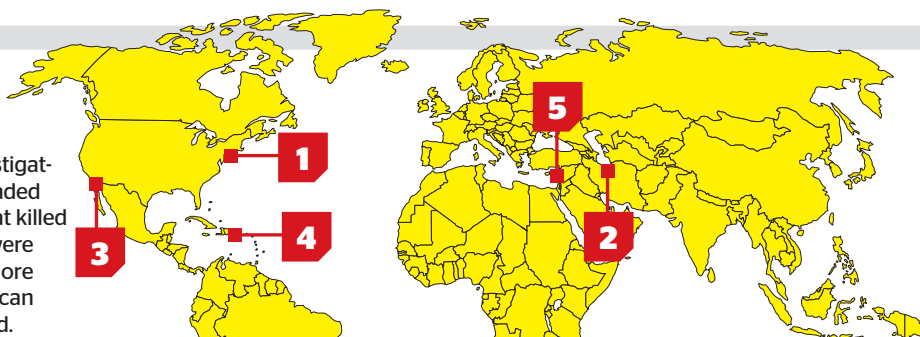
The Syrian government denies firing on houses and says images of dead bodies on the Internet have been staged. State media said Monday that "armed terrorist groups" were firing mortars in the city, setting fire to tires and blowing up empty buildings to give the impression that Homs was under fire from President Bashar al-Assad's forces.

That attack, branded a "massacre" by France and "unspeakable" by Obama, set the stage for intense efforts over the weekend to lobby Moscow not to block the U.N. Security Council resolution.

But Russia argued the resolution was one-sided and would have amounted to taking the side of Assad's opponents in a civil war. China also vetoed the measure, by most accounts following Russia's lead.

4 18 killed in shipwreck

Dominican officials were investigating the capsizing of an overloaded immigrant smuggling boat that killed 18 people, and rescue teams were searching Monday for 20 or more people missing off the Dominican Republic coast, authorities said.



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BULLS 108, NEW JERSEY 87

Missing man?

Bulls get reacquainted with former teammate Keith Bogans

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The Bulls had the NBA's best record last season and were three games away from playing in the NBA Finals. But something was amiss.

Starting shooting guard Keith Bogans, a defensive hound, was an offensive liability. He averaged 4.4 points per game. Not good.

In the offseason, the Bulls parted ways with Bogans and picked up veteran Richard Hamilton, who has been out much of the year with injuries.

Bogans wasn't happy about how he was treated.

"I don't know why they waived me," Bogans told the Tribune on Monday. "I get upset every time I talk about it."

Bogans is now playing for the New Jersey Nets, averaging 3.7 points per game.

But would he make his former team and fans miss him Monday night when the Bulls rolled into town? We tracked him during the Bulls' easy 108-87 win.

WE DON'T MISS HIM: Bogans gets the ball along the baseline for a wide-open 3-pointer early in the first quarter, and he bricks it. Been there, done that. Too often.

WE MISS HIM: Bogans shows his toughness in the paint, using a pump fake, then following his own miss to score his first points of the game.

WE DON'T MISS HIM: A wide-open Joakim Noah prepares to go up for a dunk—or at least a layup—but Bogans grabs him by the arm and swings him to the ground. Not cool, Keith.



Keith Bogans backs down the Bulls defense Monday night. GETTYIMAGES

WE MISS HIM: Like he was able to do at least once a game, it seems, Bogans hits a 3-pointer to break a two-minute second-quarter scoreless streak for the Nets. Still, they are down 45-23 at this point.

WE DON'T MISS HIM: When he's in the game, Bogans spends most of the time hanging out behind the 3-point line, scarcely moving. Even on one good leg, Hamilton moves more in one night than Bogans does in an entire season.

WE MISS HIM: At 10:55 in the third quarter, Bogans drives to the hoop then drops off a nice pass to a cutting Kris Humphries for a dunk. Nifty play.

FINAL JUDGMENT: Let's be real. The Bulls don't miss Bogans. They don't seem to miss anyone. Even with Derrick Rose, Hamilton and Luol Deng out for various periods of time this season, the Bulls haven't missed a beat.

“I don't know why they waived me. I get upset every time I talk about it.” —Keith Bogans, to the Tribune, on being traded by the Bulls

Whining is Eli's best weapon



John Giokaris

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Am I the only one who was miserable watching Eli Manning win another Super Bowl?

Sometimes all it takes is one misstep to turn people against athletes, like LeBron James' Miami decision, Sammy Sosa's corked bat or

sexual assault accusations against Kobe Bryant.

In Eli's case, I've held a grudge against him since draft day in 2004. San Diego had the No. 1 pick, needed a quarterback and was ready to take the young gun from Ole Miss, but crybaby Eli, through his daddy, Archie, stated publicly he would refuse to play for the Chargers. He wanted to go to New York, where he could be a superstar. And that spoiled brat weaseled his way into what he wanted.

It's the same reason I could never respect John Elway, who threatened to quit football and pitch for the N.Y. Yankees if the Baltimore Colts, who drafted him at No. 1 in 1983, did not trade him—which they eventually did.

And, like Elway, Eli is rewarded with two rings. It's just not right.

Yes, Tom Brady's already got three rings, but he earned them. He worked his way up from starting seventh on the depth chart at Michigan and being NFL draft pick No. 199 in the sixth round. He wasn't born with a silver spoon in his mouth and didn't get to choose where he wanted to play like the Giants' golden boy.

It was bad enough watching Brady's undefeated season get tombstoned four years ago by, of all people, that punk of a quarterback. But to see Eli do it twice against the NFL's reigning dynasty on the grandest stage of the year—on top of besting his older brother Peyton by one Super Bowl title—his ego's gotta be as big as the city he plays for now.

So let this be a lesson to all you kids out there: Chew out any team that's thinking of drafting you till you get the one you want, and you too can be a Super Bowl MVP.

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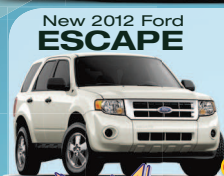
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1 What will fill your NFL void now that the Super Bowl's over?	Lots of Scrabble. Tackle Scrabble.	My fantasy NFL Player Arrest League. Go Vick!	I'll catch Chelsea Handler's new show until it's canceled, so that gives me two weeks.	With a cuddly, wuddly Robbie Gould teddy bear, football season never ends. Not that I have one.	Checking out some available tight ends. HOLLER!
2 When will the Blackhawks' losing streak end?	How long are we going to play musical goalies (which, turns out, ain't the ideal party game)?	When Andrew Shaw stops feeling bad for their opponents.	I hear Derrick Rose is working on his slap shot.	Once the Hawks adhere to the demands of the Mayan gods and burn Tommy Hawk as a sacrifice.	When the sun rises in the west and ... wait, that's from "Game of Thrones."
3 What move must the Blackhawks make before the NHL trade deadline?	The GM doesn't want to trade for a goalie. So the answer's obvious: Trade for a new GM.	Andrew Brunette. Just literally get him to move faster.	That one move where they steal a flux capacitor and travel back to the 2010 championship.	Addition by subtraction: Bryan Bickell and John Scott left in the Rockies after the game against Colorado.	A goalie. Ryan Miller might prefer Chicago's winters to Buffalo's.
4 How have the Bulls stayed first in the East with all their injuries?	The NBA's giving a half-hearted effort—which is a comatose-hearted effort by regular-people standards.	Geographic proximity to Detroit, Cleveland and Minnesota.	They stopped eating that fake pink meat from McDonald's.	Winning due to the post repertoire of Brian Scalabrine, leaving defenders amazed and confused.	Have you looked at the East lately? The Wizards couldn't beat a JV squad.
5 How are you counting down the days until the start of spring training?	By throwing paper balls at co-workers. Oh, don't get up in arms, I throw a changeup in there.	By adding 15 pounds of muscle and learning a cut fastball.	With a Mayan calendar, the Cubs were mathematically eliminated from the playoffs yesterday.	Ooh! I just realized I can use my "Countdown to Twilight Opener Countdown Clock" for something else.	I'm not. I'm counting down the days until the NFL comes back.

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Super Mario's CATCH

Where does Manningham's grab rank among the all-time greats?

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Mario Manningham, meet Santonio Holmes, David Tyree, Lynn Swann and John Mackey. You are now a member of the Amazing Super Bowl Catch Club. In the fourth quarter Sunday night, a double-covered Manningham caught a 38-yard sideline bomb—and somehow stayed in bounds—from Eli Manning that kept the Giants' drive alive—a drive that resulted in the winning touchdown. Where does it rank among Super Bowl catches?



3 Mario Manningham Super Bowl 46



1 Santonio Holmes Super Bowl 43

Pittsburgh was down 23-20 with less than 40 seconds left when Ben Roethlisberger found Holmes along the sideline in the end zone for the go-ahead score. Holmes just gets the tips of both feet inbounds to secure the win.



2 David Tyree Super Bowl 42
It's third-and-5 and the N.Y. Giants trail New England by four with about a minute left. Eli Manning miraculously escapes being sacked, launches the ball 32 yards and Tyree leaps and catches it above his head and uses his helmet to secure it. The Giants went on to topple the unbeaten Patriots.

4 John Mackey Super Bowl 5
If this catch were made nowadays, it'd be a YouTube smash. Indianapolis Colts tight end caught this Johnny Unitas pass after it was tipped by an Indy receiver and then by a Dallas cornerback for a 75-yard touchdown.



5 Lynn Swann Super Bowl 10
Swann caught four passes for 161 yards in the Steelers' win over Dallas, but this was his best. He jumped just a split-second sooner than Cowboys cornerback Mark Washington and got his hands on the ball but bobbled it. Then, as he fell, he reeled it in for a 53-yard gain. He also caught an amazing, over-the-shoulder 64-yard TD pass that day. YouTube them.



Giants win costs Menounos

Plenty of people lost bets Sunday night when the N.Y. Giants upset the New England Patriots in the Super Bowl, but probably none more publicly than "Extra" host Maria Menounos. She had to host Monday's show in a N.Y. Giants bikini in a chilly Times Square after losing a bet to correspondent AJ Calloway. What a good sport.

A social media bonanza

It seems many Americans enjoyed their Super Bowl with a side of Twitter on Sunday night. The social media site set a record in the U.S. for tweets per second at 12,233 as the Patriots' final Hail Mary pass fell to the end zone turf. The all-time record is a jaw-dropping 25,088 tweets per second in Japan during a broadcast of the movie "Castle in the Sky" on Dec. 9. Who knew?

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VOCAB TEST

Pop quiz! Studying up on these popular dining terms will help you navigate this year's Chicago Restaurant Week menus without having to pull out your smartphone.

Confit (kon-FEE):
Meat cooked in its own fat

Coulis (koo-LEE):
Thick sauce or puree

Ganache (gahn-AHSH):
Icing-like mixture of chocolate and cream

Jus (ZHOO):
French for "juice," usually referring to a meat served in its own juices

Lardons (LAHR-don):
Fried diced bacon

Sunchoke (SON-chok):
Brown-skinned tuber in the sunflower family

Tuile (TWEEL):
Thin, crispy cookie

Yuzu (YOO-zoo):
Japanese citrus fruit

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Tastiest Week ever

Your guide to getting the most out of Chicago Restaurant Week

By Lisa Arnett

REDEYE

Surf and turf for less than \$30? For thousands of hungry diners looking to try a new restaurant on a budget, that's the appeal of Chicago Restaurant Week. Organized by the Chicago Convention & Tourism Bureau, the fifth annual event runs Feb. 17-26 and enlists participating restaurants—more than 200 in the city and suburbs this year—to offer a three-course lunch for \$22, three-course dinner for \$33 or an upgraded dinner option for \$44 (tax, gratuity and beverages not included). But with so many participating restaurants, it can be hard to navigate. Here's a look at what to try, what to skip and what to know before you go.

Note: As of press time, all recommended restaurants had some reservations still available—if you act fast, that is.

Chicago Restaurant Week participants

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NEW ADDITIONS WORTH TRYING

Union Sushi & Barbeque Bar

230 W. Erie St. 312-662-4888

Serving: Three-course lunch and dinner (both \$22)

Why you should try it: This River North sushi and robata grill is breaking the rules and offering its three-course dinner at the \$22 lunch price. If that's wrong, we don't want to be right.

Menu highlights:

Mushroom salad with garlic-soy vinaigrette, rainbow and dragon maki, surf and turf with beef filet and jumbo shrimp, yuzu pie with coconut biscuit crust.

Michael Jordan's Steak House

505 N. Michigan Ave. 312-321-8823

Serving: \$22 three-course lunch and \$44 four-course dinner

Why you should try it: This contemporary steakhouse has gotten plenty of positive buzz.

Menu highlights: Garlic bread with blue cheese fondue, lobster chowder, twin petite filets, chocolate tart with malted vanilla gelato.

GT Fish & Oyster

531 N. Wells St. 312-929-3501

Serving: Three-course lunch (\$22)

Why you should try it: During dinner, it's easy to go overboard with the sippable cocktails and shareable seafood plates at this popular River North eatery and end up with a whale of a bill. Dining during a long lunch break from work will keep things under control.

Menu highlights: Bruschetta with shrimp, avocado, grapefruit and toasted pistachio; scallops with candied bacon and winter squash; carrot cake with ginger ice cream.



NOT NEW, BUT WORTH YOUR TIME

Naha

500 N. Clark St. 312-321-6242

Serving: Three-course lunch (\$22) and three-course dinner (\$33 or \$44)

Why you should try it: Since plenty of entrees alone at this acclaimed River North restaurant are in the \$30 range, the \$33 dinner is a serious bargain.

Menu highlights: Heirloom squash soup, pork belly risotto, coconut cream-grapefruit parfait. The \$44 dinner includes an upgraded entree of duck breast and foie gras with a quince and fennel tart.

Aja

660 N. State St. 312-202-6050

Serving: Three-course lunch (\$22) and three-course dinner (\$33)

Why you should try it: This Asian-inspired restaurant inside the Dana Hotel is turning into a new contemporary American restaurant this spring at the hands of former

Sunda chef Rodelio Aglibot, so this is its last Restaurant Week in its current form.

Menu highlights: Hot-and-sour soup with smoked bacon, chili-pecan lamb shank with fried plantains, coconut caramel sticky pudding.

Aria

200 N. Columbus Drive. 312-444-9494

Serving: \$22 three-course lunch and \$33 three-course dinner

Why you should try it: This Asian-inspired restaurant inside the Fairmont Hotel isn't the hippest table in town, but chef de cuisine Beverly Kim's turn on "Top Chef: Texas" has made it that much more intriguing as of late.

Menu highlights: Mongolian lamb ribs with edamame-mint puree, swordfish with miso mustard and sunchoke puree, chocolate-caramel mousse.



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Anti-Restaurant Week?

By Erin Brereton

FOR REDEYE

Two local chefs this year have an alternative to the annual Chicago Restaurant Week.

Phillip Foss and Shin Thompson are hosting a joint feast Feb. 21 and calling it the Anti-Restaurant Week Dinner, but they say they aren't necessarily against the annual 10-day event designed to entice new diners with discounted menus.

"Restaurant Week was always a great means to build revenue during a generally slow time of the year," said Foss, who serves elaborate multicourse meals at his restaurant El in Lawndale. "I definitely understand why restaurants participate in it."

Foss previously took part in Chicago Restaurant Week while working for Loop restaurant Lockwood, but he didn't always feel the event offered diners a true representation of a restaurant. "It was a cheap way for people to get a taste of the restaurant, but it didn't feel ever indicative of who we were big-picture," he said.

Foss connected with Thompson, chef and owner of high-end BYOB restaurant Bonsoiree in Logan Square, through Twitter and decided to collaborate on the dinner event. The two chefs hammered out a plan for a 15-course, \$150-per-person dinner, with seatings from 5-9:30 p.m. at Bonsoiree. The menu will include items such as a motoyaki scallop, lobster and togarashi-seasoned dish and a course involving crab, sun-chokes, grapefruit and fennel. For a theme, Thompson suggested Anti-Restaurant Week.

With each of their restaurants offering elaborate tasting menus that start at \$75-\$100 per person, Thompson says it isn't reasonable for him or Foss to offer the \$33 prix-fixe deal that participation in Chicago Restaurant Week requires.

To encourage higher-end restaurants to participate, organizers added a \$44 prix fixe option last year, according to the Chicago Convention and Tourism Bureau's public relations director Meghan Risch. She says she doesn't believe the joint El-Bonsoiree event adds any value to Chicago Restaurant Week.

More than 200 restaurants are participating in Chicago Restaurant Week. Foss and Thompson have sold out their alternative dinner and have 50 people on the waiting list.

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Shin Thompson
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SKIP IT

Nightwood

2119 S. Halsted St. 312-526-3385

Serving: Four-course dinner (\$44)

Why you should try it: This Pilsen gem rarely misses. I'm still thinking about the fried slices of preserved lemon I had at Restaurant Week here last year. If you're not the plan-ahead type, the discounted menu is available at the eight-seat kitchen counter, which is first come, first served.

Menu highlights: Foie gras agnolatti, spit-roasted pork loin with capers and anchovies, cocoa nib semi-freddo with hot fudge and brownie chunks.



Bar Toma

110 E. Pearson St. 312-266-3110

The three-course dinner option limits you to one appetizer (a mozzarella trio), just one of two pizza choices (margherita or pepperoni) and gelato for dessert. Because the savings aren't drastic, adventurous eaters would do better to dine during normal service to reap the benefit of choice.

Blackbird

619 W. Randolph St. 312-715-0708

This perennial favorite in the West Loop offers a \$22 three-course lunch all year round, so you can concentrate your limited Restaurant Week time on other prospects.

25 Degrees

736 N. Clark St. 312-943-9700

If you're plunking down \$22 on lunch, do you really want a burger? Plus, the decadent toppings on this River North bar's burgers make them filling enough without adding an appetizer and a dessert. If you disagree, this is one of the few Chicago Restaurant Week participants that doesn't take reservations.

Benny's Chop House

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'River' of screams



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The more cynical TV viewer might knock ABC's suspenseful new horror drama "The River" as a ripoff of such flicks as "Paranormal Activity" and "The Blair Witch Project."

I'm glad I'm not cynical—as least in that respect. "The River" is an exciting and scary trip that begins with back-to-back episodes Tuesday on ABC.

In the first hour, we meet Dr. Emmet Cole (Bruce Greenwood), who with his family has starred for more than two decades on a TV adventure/nature show in which the family travels to remote areas of the world because "there is magic out there," as Emmett says at the end of each episode. The Coles as known to TV audiences, including mom Tess (Leslie Hope) and son Lincoln, are a perfect, loving family.

Off camera, things aren't so ideal, as we learn when we join the story years later. Emmet, long estranged from both Tess and the now-grown Lincoln (Joe Anderson) has gone missing in the Amazon. After six months the official search for Emmet is called off, and Lincoln, who still resents his dad for spending more time in the wild than with his family, is ready to move on with his life.

Tess senses that Emmet is still alive, and she has proof: His search beacon has started

!!!! **The River**
8 p.m. Tuesday, ABC

sending signals again. Lincoln reluctantly joins his mother and the daughter of Emmet's also-missing cameraman (Eloise Mumford) on a rescue mission funded by Emmet's amoral ex-producer Clark (Paul Blackthorne), whose two equally smarmy cameramen will film the entire expedition.

You guessed it: The search will become yet another reality show, if any of the crew—including Emmet's former boat mechanic Emilio (Daniel Zacapa) and his daughter Jahel (Paulina Gaitan) and a shady mercenary (Thomas Kretschmann)—survive the freaky goings-on in the jungle.

Creators Oren Peli and Michael R. Perry (who brought us the "Paranormal Activity" films) waste no time getting freaky. The first scare comes 20 minutes in and the tension doesn't let up. Episode 2 intensifies the fright factor even more. Personally, any type of ancient hoodoo voodoo black magic stuff chills me to the bone, and "The River" literally drowns in the stuff.

Telling any specifics would, of course, ruin the scares for readers. Needless to say, the show cashes in on Peli's signature found-footage style. Using a mixture of hand-held cameras, interview shots and surveillance cameras mounted to the boat, you get his documentary-style that can get shaky but didn't bother me too much.

Honestly, I think it adds to the creepiness.



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Is Spidey scared?

Reuters

LOS ANGELES Sony Pictures on Monday unveiled a first look at the upcoming reboot of the “Spider-Man” movie franchise, and the action-packed thriller has at least one person in the audience shaking in his Spidey suit—the man who plays him, Andrew Garfield.

“I’m terrified right now,” Garfield told an audience at a New York City movie multiplex in a presentation that was one of four similar events happening simultaneously in New York, L.A., London and Rio de Janeiro.

Co-stars Emma Stone and Rhys Ifans, and director Marc Webb were on hand in other locations to speak briefly about the movie.

In New York, Garfield told the audi-

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In “Amazing Spider-Man,” Peter Parker goes searching for the reason his parents disappeared when he was a child. His pursuit brings him face to face with his dad’s old partner, Dr. Curt Connors (Rhys Ifans) who transforms into the villainous Lizard. Parker also gets a new love interest named Gwen Stacy (Emma Stone), who essentially takes the romance duties given to Kirsten Dunst as Mary Jane Watson in the previous films.

ence that taking on the role of the teenage crime fighter and comic book superhero was daunting because of the responsibility of portraying a character who is beloved by so many people.

“This is so overwhelming to be representing this symbol because that’s all I am, the guy in the suit. And before, it was Tobey [Maguire],” he said.

Garfield, 28, is known for his sup-

porting role as Facebook creator Mark Zuckerberg’s best friend in “The Social Network.” But “Spider-Man” may be his biggest Hollywood break yet.

The original “Spider-Man” movie trilogy launched Tobey Maguire to stardom and earned \$1.1 billion at domestic box offices. The new movie, “The Amazing Spider-Man,” hits movie screens July 3 and will hope to beat that stellar run.



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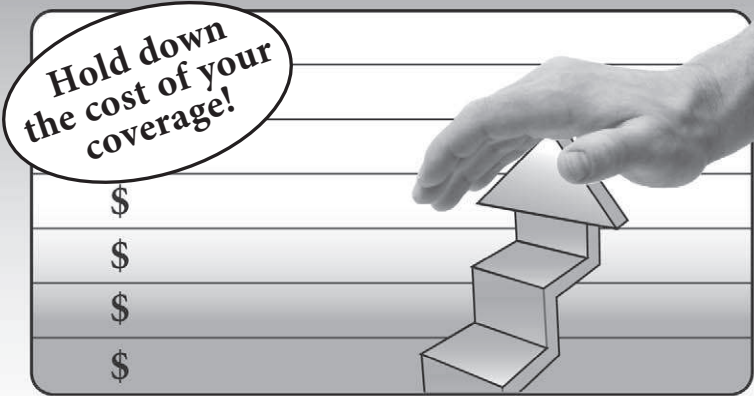
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1964: The Beatles began their first American tour as they arrived in New York.
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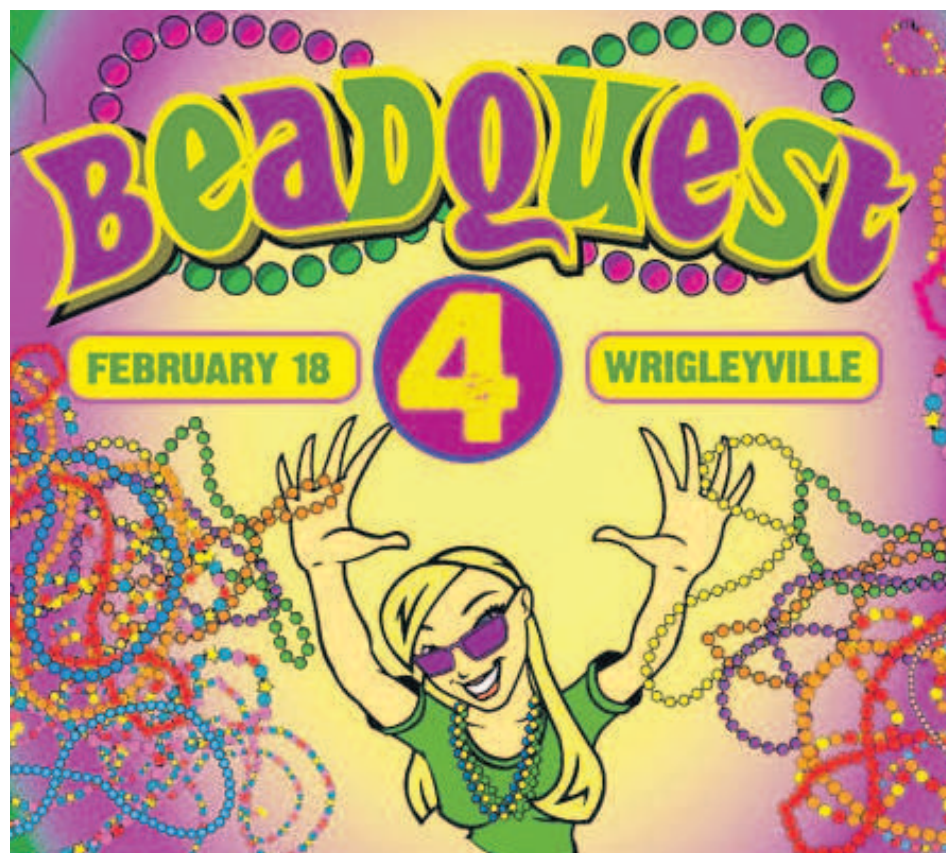
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2012 JUST MIGHT BE THE YEAR OF KITSCH—HERE'S WHAT TO KNOW

By Dana Moran | REDEYE

During Sunday's bevy of Super Bowl movie previews, one hunk may have stood head and shoulders above the rest. Small-time guy Taylor Kitsch, who stars in both "Battleship" and "John Carter," looks primed for a breakout this year. Here are five fast Kitsch facts to keep you ahead of the curve.

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1

He's not from these parts

Like 2011 superhottie of the year Ryan Gosling, Kitsch hails from the Great White North. The fact that he's a Vancouver, British Columbia, native means Kitsch is a die-hard Vancouver Canucks fan—but don't hold it against him too much, Blackhawks faithful.

2

You probably miss his Texas accent

The biggest Kitsch fans think of him only as Tim Riggins, the bad boy with a big heart from "Friday Night Lights." The high school football show ended its five-season run last year, but, as Riggins says, "Texas forever."



3

He might be a junior Hugh Jackman

Ask "X-Men" geeks which character was missing from the 2000s trilogy, and you'll most likely hear "Gambit." Kitsch picked up the fan fave's boy staff for 2009's "X-Men Origins: Wolverine," which probably was best known for its majorly, majorly embarrassing leak.



4

He's a thrill-seeker

Kitsch's characters aren't the only ones getting into trouble. He told RedEye's Matt Pais during an interview for "The Bang Bang Club" that he and his "Battleship" co-stars would jump off cliffs in Hawaii during shooting. "It's kind of doing things that people say, 'What the [bleep] are you doing?'" he said.

5

He might have two big movies coming out, but ...

... that doesn't mean they're going to be awesome. Our knee-jerk reaction to "Battleship" was: "Why did nobody tell us Taylor Kitsch was starring in the new 'Transformers?'" And "John Carter" seems to be the comeback of that weird voice-deepening trick from "The Dark Knight Rises." But we'll let you be the judge; the flicks are out May 18 and March 9, respectively.





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That’s how many characters will be voiced by Glenn Howerton, who plays Dennis on “It’s Always Sunny in Philadelphia,” on two upcoming episodes of FX’s “Unsupervised.”

Make room for one more diva. Miss Piggy will be the official red carpet host Sunday in London for the BAFTA awards (aka the British version of the Oscars), **thr.com** reports. “Naturally I will be asking questions that only moi would dare to ask,” Piggy said. Maybe Kermit will get to work the after-party?

Who will she wear?

Inside pitch

Did you catch **Will Ferrell’s** Super Bowl ad Sunday? Probably not: The actor’s short spot for Old Milwaukee beer ran in one market: North Platte, Neb., **eonline.com** reports. The ad showed Ferrell walking through a field to a heroic soundtrack and cracking open a cold one. Must have been a really long walk.



Party animal

Well, looks like somebody’s headed to detention. A party at “Glee” star Cory Monteith’s house was broken up by the cops at 4:30 a.m. Monday after neighbors complained about loud music, **eonline.com** reports. A reminder: Monteith is 29, not 18 like the high-schooler he plays on TV, so we figured he’d know how to keep it down by now.

Lay off Adele!

Remember when your mom told you if you don’t have something nice to say, don’t say anything at all? Karl Langerfeld’s mom must have forgotten that lesson. “The thing at the moment is Adele,” the Chanel designer told Metro Paris, according to **usmagazine.com**. “She is a little too fat, but she has a beautiful face and a divine voice.” At least he sprinkled in a couple of compliments.



The Gaga network

Look out, Mark Zuckerberg! **Lady Gaga** soon will launch her very own social networking site, **littlemonsters.com**, powered by social media start-up The Backplane. The site is not yet live, but users can preregister with their email addresses to request an invite. Finally, a place to upload pictures of our home-made meat dresses!

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